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SUBJECT: MEES ON SAUDIS, QUITO

1. (U) MIDDLE EAST ECONOMIC SURVEY (MEES) JUNE 7 SAYS THAT OPEC QUITO AGENDA INCLUDES OPEC PRODUCTION PROGRAMMING TO MAINTAIN PRICES. QUOTING A "TOP SAUDI SOURCE" (PROBABLY YAMANI), MEES SAYS SAUDIS WILL NOT AGREE TO ANY PRODUCTION RESTRICTIONS (EXCEPT THOSE STEMMING FROM OCTOBER WAR) UNTIL OPEC AGREES ON PRICE LEVELS ACCEPTABLE TO SAUDI ARABIA, OBVIOUSLY MEANING PRICES LOWER THAN CURRENT LEVELS.
 2. (LOU) MEES NEWS EDITOR SEYMOUR OPENED TO EMBOFF THAT YAMANI STRATEGY AT QUITO WILL BE TO STONEWALL OPEC COLLEAGUES ON ANY ATTEMPTS TO COLLABORATE ON PARTICIPATION OIL PRICE LEVELS OR PRODUCTION PROGRAMMING UNTIL OPEC AGREES ON LOWER PRICES.
 3. (LOU) MEES EDITOR ITAYIM VERY DUBIOUS ABOUT VERACITY
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ANNOUNCED 60 PER CENT SAUDI PARTICIPATION ARAMCO, SAYING

HIS ARAMCOSOURCES KNEW NOTHING ABOUT IT. GODLEY

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